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Best Cream Dates.....18c lb
Best Cream Almonds.....20c lb
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Nuts

Best Brazil Butternuts..12 1-2c lb
Best English Walnuts.....15c lb
Best Paper-shell Almonds..22c lb
Best Filberts.....12 1-2c
Best Pecan Nuts.....12 1-2c
Best Cocoanuts.....6 and 7c

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Best Malaga Grapes.....15c lb
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Thoroughly cleaned and put up in attractive packages.

Best London layer raisins.12 1-2c lb
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Best cleaned Currants.....10c lb
Best new Citron.....20c lb

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Arbuckle coffee.....13c
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Our own make mince meat...10c
Good mince meat.....8c
Large new Prunes.....8c lb
Large fat mackeral.....5c each
Best new buckwheat.....3 1-2c lb
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Toys

Children's sleds.....25c
Express wagons.....75c
Child's roll top desk.....$1.50
Rocking horses.....75c
Children's rocking chairs.....25c
Children's extension tables 75c to $1 50
Toy tea sets.....10c
Sleeping Dolls.....25c and 50c
Toy wheelbarrows.....10c
Child's hay carts.....10c
Children's toy pianos.....25c
All the latest games.....10c
Boys' drums.....25c

Shoes

SEASONABLE XMAS GIFTS CUT FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Men's 300 high top shoes cut to $2.00
Children's rubber boots.....$1.25
Ladies' warm lined shoes....$1.25
Men's rubber boots.....$2.75
Men's water proof leather boots $2.50
Men's leggings.....40c
Men's fine dress shoes.....$1.25
Ladies' dress shoes.....75c
Try our line of Children's Box Calf school shoes at .75c to $1.25 They will wear well.

Blankets

These make good Xmas presents, and are something that gives comfort.

All wool blankets.....$3.50
Old government blankets, the kind that lasts a lifetime $5.00 per pair
Made of the best South down wool, weigh 7 lbs. pair.
Our Dry Goods Department is full of great bargains for the Holiday.

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Toilet sets, dressing cases, gentlemen's smoking sets, shaving sets, Ladies' dressing cases, carving sets, fancy boxes, writing paper, port folios, pictures, clocks, watches and other articles to numerous to mention.

Come and see our great display of Holiday goods. We bring the city to your door. No need to pay carfare to see a display of Holiday goods. We have them right here. All goods are guaranteed just as represented or money back.

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Which are pronounced by leading artists to be unsurpassed for sweetness and brilliancy of tone. All these we sell with thorough guarantee at the very lowest prices and on easy payments of $6.00 to $10.00 per month.

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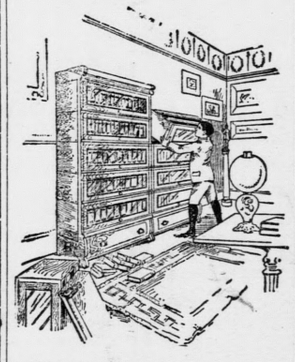

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FALL FRESHENING OF COWS

It takes a good deal of reasoning to convince the average dairy farmer who has his cows drop their calves in the spring, that he is beating himself out of his best profit by this course. He thinks he is making milk cheaply, because the most of it is made on grass. Like many other questions in dairying, the result lies behind so much fine figuring that the average man cannot see the truth.

Take for instance, any community where a creamery runs the whole year. Part of the patrons have their cows freshen from September to the middle of November. They feed ensilage and buy bran or feed corn and oats that they raise themselves. They treat their cows liberally. Go to any creamery of this character and select the patrons of this character and we will guarantee that they will be found to be the most prosperous. The following are some of the advantages they receive:

1. They make milk for the eight months when it is the highest in price. The butter made from fall and winter milk averages five to seven cents more a pound.

2. Ample statistics show that the fall calving cow will yield from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds more milk than if she calved in the spring. Add that to the higher price of the butter and it means a good deal. Why will she yield more milk? Start a cow in spring and in three months she comes upon milk shrinking conditions, flies, heat and drought. Start her in the fall and she suffers no set back for six months; then when the flush feed of May 15 to July 15 comes she takes a new start. When the flies commence to get bad she is nearly ready to dry off.

3. The calves droped in the fall are, as a rule, if they have been rightly fed and cared for much superior at 10 months of age to calves born in spring. They have the same exemption from flies the cows have and it helps the calf as much as it does the cow; they thrive and grow better. If they have farm separated milk and bright second or third cutting of alfalfa hay, with a few oats, they will astonish the spring born calf at 10 months of age.

For several seasons in the spring we have advertised and sold a little bunch of grade Guernsey heifers, fall born. They have sold for from $20 to $25 a head when seven to eight months old. Scores of dairy farmers have visited our stables to see these calves. Almost invariably they have expressed themselves astonished at the growth of the youngsters and it has never been difficult to get a good price for such heifers, which caused the skim milk they ate to return 50 cents per hundred pounds.

No dairy farm is well organized for the largest profit in cream and butter production that does not have the majority of its cows freshen in the fall. The raising of nice heifer calves is a part of the good work of such a farm. Calf raising and pig raising should be one of the best studied adjuncts of a well managed dairy farm.

Writing on this important subject to the Wisconsin Agriculturalist, the veteran Wisconsin dairyman, C. P. Goodrich of this city, says:

"In a cow census of 52 herds I took two years ago in Fond du Lac County, Wis., where I charged the cows on each farm with the value of food per cow, and got from the creamery the amount of butter produced per cow, and the amount of money paid per cow, I found the following facts: I found 11 herds in which all of the cows were fresh in fall and 14 herds where all were fresh in spring. The balance of the herds were fresh at different times of the year, and these I will leave out of consideration, at this time.

The great objection many make to fall cows is: that it costs more to feed them, if they are to be kept giving milk during the winter. Food was very high the year I took this census and it cost an average of $7.03 more per cow to feed the fall cows than it did the spring cows. But they produced 58 pounds of butter more per cow with $12.95 more in returns per cow and $5.95 more net profit.

Now you may say that those who had the fall cows were the best dairymen. Quite likely. The fact of their having cows fresh in the fall would seem to indicate it. And let me say before I forget it; good dairymen, men who know how to care for cows, will make more profit by having their cows fresh in fall, while poor dairymen, men who don't know how to care for them and expect cows to care for themselves, had better have their cows fresh in spring, or better still, not have any cows at all, I mean dairy cows."

On the question of changing a herd of cows over from spring to fall calving, Mr. Goodrich speaks of his experience as follows:

"A great many dairymen want to change their herds that are now, or have been spring cows, around to winter cows. Some have told me that they have experienced a great deal of difficulty in doing so. I will tell how I did, many years ago; mine were all spring cows, except one which we kept for winter milk for the family. The heifers that had never had calves I started right so they would freshen in the fall, and, of course, after that I had no trouble in keeping them fall cows. The older cows, those that came in late in the spring, I let go over so as to make fall cows of them. There were some that came in very early in spring—February and March. With some of these I was able to shorten the period so that each year they came in earlier. In three or four years I had my whole herd, with the exception usually of two cows, which I kept for spring cows so as to have some milk all summer, all freshening in the fall when I wanted them.

My books that I kept in those days show that the income and profits from my dairy were a good deal increased by this change. The amount of butter made per year was increased some and the average price per pound for a year was also increased."

The Cow Census enterprise inaugurated by *Hoard's Dairyman* and, to some extent, followed by the Wisconsin Dairymen's Association, has received a singular and unexampled compliment in Canada, where by direction of the Dominion Minister of Agriculture the entire report of the census taken in Fond du Lac County by Mr. Goodrich, under the auspices of the association and first published in this paper, has been republished, (with other matter) as a bulletin for general distribution under the title, "Improvement of Dairy Herds."

The bulletin is divided into four parts, as follows: (1) A Wisconsin Cow Census and its Lessons. (2) The Result of Testing Individual Cows in 72 Herds (in Canada). (3) Record Testing Associations in Denmark. (4) Miscellaneous Records.

For three hundred years the farmer of this country has been borrowing of the land west of him. There has been a steady stream of fertility from west to east. Wheat, corn, live stock and milk products have been the sources of fertility for the eastern farmer. West of him there has always been land containing the stored up fertility of centuries from which he could draw the needed fertility for his farm; and when his land had been thoroughly skinned, he could move west and take up a new farm.

This pleasing process has now got to the stopping place and neither the phosphate from the south nor potash from Germany will long supply the wasted fat of the land. The farmer of the future will have to read more and know more about his profession if he is to enjoy more than the bare necessities of life. He can no longer be proud of his ignorance.

CALIFORNIA

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged for a special personally-conducted tour through California, to leave New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington on January 25 by the "Golden Gate Special," composed exclusively of Pullman parlor-smoking, dining, drawing-room, sleeping compartment, and observation cars, returning by February 23. This special train will be run over the entire route. The best hotels will be used where extended stops are made, but the train will be at the constant command of the party.

Round-trip tickets covering all necessary expenses, $375 from all points on Pennsylvania Railroad except Pittsburgh, from which point the rate will be $370.

For itineraries and further information apply to ticket agents; C. A. Studds, Eastern Passenger Agent, 263 Fifth Ave., New York; Hugh Hasson, Jr., Passenger Agent Baltimore District, Baltimore, Md; B. M. Newbold, Passenger Agent Southeastern District, Washington, D. C.; Thos. E. Watts, Passenger Agent Western District, Pittsburgh, Pa.; or address Geo. W. Boyd, General Passenger Agent, Philadelphia.

MAGAZINE NOTES

Henry Beach Needham, in an intimate study "Theodore Roosevelt—An Outdoor Man" in the January *McClure's*, tells more than the average citizen of the United States ever guesses of the work and play of the President. After reading this article one wonders how Mr. Roosevelt has the strength to stick to the pace. And Mr. Needham tells something else: that the President started life handicapped by ill-health, and only through persistent effort acquired his splendid physique. The illustrations are copies of rare photographs of the President, most of which borrow added interest from their unusual surroundings.

The article is especially interesting to fathers and mothers and sons and daughters because it suggests the idea that almost anybody can attain the same degree of activity that Mr. Roosevelt has attained—by choosing rightly what to do. That is the President's own idea about it. He says that it is all in the choosing.

FORTUNE SPENT IN LIQUOR

According to figures furnished by the government Bureau of Statistics, there are consumed in the United States in one year about 40,000,000 barrels of beer, 98,000,000 gallons of proof spirits and 30,500,000 gallons of wine. These drinkables, sold at retail, take out of the pockets of consumers in a single twelvemonth the sum of $1,454,090,858. Its a good deal of money, and one is tempted to consider what it could accomplish if it were put to really useful purposes, instead of being practically thrown away.

It would provide 500,000 families, or 2,500,000 people—more than the entire population of the States of New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Maine, North Dakota and Montana—with comfortable homes, clothing and provisions for 12 whole months. To each family it would give $350 for provisions, $80 for clothing, $30 for shoes, $20 for newspapers, magazines and books, $50 for church and charitable purposes, and would build or each family a house costing $1,500, with $350 to furnish it—thus bestowing upon each one of the half million families $2,380, and leaving a balance of $264,119,000 to erect 52,818 churchs, each costing $5,000. The figures arrange themselves in tabulated form as follows:

500,000 families, $350 each for provisions	$175,000,000
500,000 families, $80 each for clothing	40,000,000
500,000 families, $30 each for shoes	15,000,000
500,000 families, $20 each for books, &c	10,000,000
500,000 families, $50 each for charity, &c	25,000,000
500,000 houses, $1.500 each	750,000,000
500,000 families, $350 each for furniture	175,000,000
52,818 churches, $5,000 each	264,090,000
Total	$1,454,090,000

It is practically impossible for the human mind to grasp so enormous a sum of money, but recognition of its magnitude may be rendered more easy by comparing with it certain other expenditures which are made for the every-day necessries of life. For insurance, the United States in a year spend $660,000,000 for meats and $600,000,000 for breadstuffs. They pay out $630,000,000 for cotton and worsted goods, for wearing apparel and household use. Boots and shoes cost them $261,000,000 in the same length of time. For iron and steel they spend $580,000,000, for sugar and molasses $225,000,000 and for tea, coffee and chocolate $169,000,000. It will be noticed that no two of these items, which represent the chief expenses of the nation, equal in sum the total expenditure for liquors, the meat and breadstuffs, together amounting to only $1,260,000,000.—*Pearson's Magazine.*

REDUCED RATES TO NEW ORLEANS

On account of the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at New Orleans, La., December 29 to January 4, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to New Orleans from all stations on its lines at greatly reduced rates. Tickets will be sold and good going December 26, 27, and 28, and will be good for return passage until January 6, inclusive, when properly validated by Agent of terminal line at New Orleans. A stop-over at Washington will be permitted in both directions within the transit limit on tickets reading through that city. For particulars concerning specific rates and other information, consult nearest Ticket Agent.

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO EVERY

Short Pungant Paragraphs Gathered Here and There

The new Virginia battleship's di... speed is calculated to make the "Virgi... reel."

The number of employees in the gove... ment printing office at Washington var... from 4,000 to 4,500.

Down south Christmas is celebrated... the same manner that Fourth of July... observed in the north.

He who loseth wealth loseth much; who loseth a friend loseth more; but who loseth his energies loseth all.

It must have been mortifying to Pre... dent Castro to find that Mr. Roosev... forgot to make any mention of him in... message.

There are each week many juicy ne... items escape our notice, hence we ask... friends to assist us in corralling the lo... happenings.

Mr. Armour is said to have lost $5,0... 000 on wheat. There will be sad news... the meat consumers, who will be expec... to make it up.

China wants a national anthem all... own. Those people do not only want... get on the band wagon, but they wan... tune they can whistle also.

Mr. H. Fraser of Lyons, Iowa, was... first man who ever rode a goat in... Modern Woodman lodge. Mr. Fras... now 75 years old. The society has gr... to a membership of almost 800,000.

It is calculated that in London a... 4,000 persons make a living by begg... that the average income for each am... to $7 50 a week, or together, over $1,... 000 a year.

WANTED.—10 men in each sta... ravel, post signs, advertise and... samples of our goods. Salary $75... month. $3.00 per day for expe... ROYAL SUPPLY Co., Dept. W., Atlas B... Chicago.

The future farmer must be educa... If our boys cannot attend the agricul... college, a systematic course of agricul... reading is possible during the v... evenings and the time could not be... employed.

While on his way back to South... General Cronje stopped off in Lond... cently, and, giving his impressions... country, said: "Very big, very g... quick." Yes, our countr... quick. One might almost s...

A Chicago paper asserts th... 15,000 lame and broken dow... annually slaughtered in t... sausage purposes. Before... your bologna or frankfurter it ma... well to see that a home brand is b... upon the envelope.

From Carbo comes a report that... day last week an American ran... that vicinity fearing a descent by Y... poisoned a demijohn of mescal and... absented himself from home over... Returning the next day he found tw... three dead Indians in and abou... house.—*Nogales (Ariz.) Oasis.*

Place some chloride of lime at th... trance to the rat holes, then pour a... sulphuric or muriatic acid upon it... gas it makes being heavier than th... will descend into the holes and de... tnem. Chloride of lime strewn ab... cellar will drive them away but the a... may always be depended upon.

Market your hogs at six or eight m... of age, at which time they should w... 200 to 250 pounds. A greater per ce... profit is then secured than if you... them until ten or twelve months old... cause you avoid 60 to 120 pounds of... animal waste. However, a hog whic... made to weigh 300 pounds at one year ol... is quite profitable.

With the multiplicity of cerea... and... breakfast foods that has been inv... ted... and manufactured the head of an a... age... family is up against it when he goes down... town to order his supply of inside matter... sent to his house. He is at loss what... kind of a breakfast food is best adapted... for his interior department. Betwee... "Ground Cobo," "Silver Shingles" an... "Sawdusta Nutta" the old man is liable to... get a trifle nutty himself. In the good... old days of hog and hominy baked... beans, mush and milk there w... no at... tempt at stuffing the bill of... e with... salted shavings.

In 1609 Hendrik Hudson... covered... Manhattan Island and the Hud... River... New York will celebrate the ev... in 19... by holding an exhibition, open... $1,000,000 bridge across the Ha... canal at Spuyten Duyvil, and u... great statue to Hudson on th... point of Inwood Hill. Doub... York will also in 1923 observe t... tenary of the first settlement of... on Manhattan Island. In 1920 t... nation should unite in comm... the completion of three centu... the landing of the pilgrims at P...

The Food Value of a Soda Cracker

You have heard that some foods furnish fat, other foods make muscle, and still others are tissue building and heat forming.

You know that most foods have one or more of these elements, but do you know that no food contains them all in such properly balanced proportions as a good soda cracker?

The United States Government report shows that soda crackers contain less water, are richer in the muscle and fat elements, and have a much higher per cent of the tissue building and heat forming properties than any article of food made from flour.

That is why Uneeda Biscuit should form an important part of every meal. They represent the superlative of the soda cracker, all their goodness and nourishment being brought from the oven to you in a package that is proof against air, moisture and dust—the price being too small to mention.

Don't forget
Graham Crackers
Butter Thin Biscuit
Social Tea Biscuit
Lemon Snaps

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Make Your Grocer Give You Guaranteed

Cream of Tartar Baking Powder

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

We hope that every reader of THE TRANSCRIPT may have a Merry Christmas. We realize that to many there is deep sadness in the absence of one or more whose presence at the last holidays season lent cheer to the gathering. But to those, there are many reasons for thankfulness and hope. The past year has been one of continued prosperity and our people of this vicinity have shared largely in it. Crops have been above the average and prices realized more than fair. This has made our merchants business better and brought about a more nearly cash system of dealing. All of our advertisers claim that their holiday trade is satisfaction. THE TRANSCRIPT has had its share of the good times and we will not be forced to do without our Christmas turkey and the stockings of our little ones will not be empty. For all of which we render thanks and will try to merit the same patronage for the next year.

A DANGEROUS CROSSING

The sad accident of Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning by which one of our promising young men lost his life has directed attention to the particularly dangerous crossing at Armstrong's Corner. The dense thicket on the west of the railroad and south of the public road renders it impossible for a person driving, as was Mr. Beaston to the east to see a train until he reaches the track, and in a large measure prevents him from hearing. The railroad company is not to blame for this condition as the woodland is not the property of the company. Just how to avoid such accidents is a serious question. To maintain a flagman night and day would be a large expense. Automatic gates might be installed but these are not always reliable. Yet, one more life snapped out as this one was is a grave matter and all reasonable care should be exercised by the company. At the same time, the travelling public is bound to exercise care and caution in approaching any railroad crossing, and especially so, when nearing one where the view is at all obstructed.

JUDGES NAME THE DIVORCE MASTERS

For the first time in this county under the new procedure in divorce cases the Judges in Superior Court Thursday designated commisioners to take testimony in eleven actions for divorce. Heretofore the commissioner has been appointed by the court on recommendation of counsel in each case, but under the new rules the commissioner is designated by the court and unless exceptions to the designation are made and sustained the lawyer designated becomes commissioner to take testimony. The commissioners designated yesterday are:

David T. Marvel, in the case of Mary Winifred Bowman against Edward G. Bowman.

Alexander B. Cooper, in the case of Clarence A. Biddle against Margaret M. Biddle.

Josiah O. Wolcott, in the case of Burton Donovan against Ida May Donovan.

James W. Lattomus, in the case of Harriett S. Rollo against John H. Rollo.

George N. Davis, in the case of Joseph[illegible] Alexander against Roy H. Alexander.

Phillip L. Garrett, in the case of Lucile Springer Maull against Charles Allen Maull.

Henry C. Conrad, in the case of James H[illegible]ington against Anna May Harrington.

Edward G. Cook, in the case of Ida M. [illegible]on against William H. Benson.

Edward G. Bradford, Jr, in the case of [illegible] C. Russell against William Russell.

Frank Ball, in the case of Sadie [illegible]pe against Ora Thorpe.

Franklin Brockson in the case of Clara [illegible]wing against James W. Ewing.

LETTER TO BRAGDON & CO

Middletown, Del.,

Dear Sirs: We suspect you'd like the [illegible] how a woman beat two hardware [illegible]rs in Girard, Pa.

We tried our best to get those men to sell Devoe lead-and-zinc in that bright town; and failed. Reluctantly took Mrs E R Bowman, druggist.

They said they couldn't sell paint for more than $1.25 a gallon. Mrs Bowman can. She has sold about all the paint, that has been sold there since.

She knew Devoe; had sold our artists' materials. Had some sense and force, besides; she easily learned that cheap is dear in paint, and told the people.

Mr Burt Young bought a gallon Devoe for rooms that had always taken a gallon of other paint; had half left.

Mr E H Hiler, jeweler, painted Devoe, and says it goes further—no particulars.

Mr John Hanna, grocer, thought it expensive before he bought it; brought back nearly half of his paint, and said it was the cheapest job he ever had.

Mrs Bowman reports universal satisfaction. So much for a cheap-paint town with a bright woman in it.

Yours truly

[illegible] DEVOE & Co
[illegible] New York

ST. GEORGES

Albert Stewart spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Miss Violet Gray was in Kirkwood on Saturday.

Dr. John Dewitt spent Tuesday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Clement Cannon spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mr. Newton McGarity spent Monday with friends here.

H. V. Buckson was in Wilmington Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Mary Thomas, of Wilmington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Howard Gray.

Mrs. Isabel Bratton, of Newark, N. J., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sarah Cann.

George Stewart has been visiting his parents in Philadelphia part of this week.

Mr. H. Dolson and family, of near Wilmington, visited friends here on Sunday.

Mrs. John Moore visited her brother, Edward Sparks, near Middletown, last week.

Mrs. Katherine Smith spent part of this week with her brother, J. H. Stewart and family.

Miss Fannie Foard, of near Kirkwood, was the guest of Miss Maud Clark one day this week.

Miss Hattie Roberts spent part of last week with her sister, Mrs. Dallas Dolson, of Wilmington.

Miss Retta Moore, of Wilmington, spent part of last week with parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith moved this week to Pocomoke, Md., where they will engage in farming.

Miss Hattie Carrow and Harry Reynolds spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pool and son Zadoc, of McDonough, were the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sutton, on Saturday.

John McGarity, a former resident of this place died at his home in Summit Bridge on Sunday, and was brought here on Wednesday for interment.

WARWICK

John M. Price spent Monday at Chestertown.

A Merry Xmas and a happy New Year to all.

Mr. P. F. Johns spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Mrs. T. C. Lynch is at the bedside of Mr. Lynch's sister in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. H. Price visited Mrs. Sallie Gunkle on Sunday last.

Mr. S. D. Wilson was at the home of Mr. E. O. Spear on Bohemia Manor on Monday.

Miss Bessie Armstrong, of near McDonough, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. B. S. Hall.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A., meets every Tuesday evening in Merritts Hall at 8 o'clock.

Miss Edna V. Stephens, of near Cecilton, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Mary A. Lofland.

Mr. John B. Bolton and wife, of near Fredericktown, visited Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Simmons near town on Sunday.

Mrs. B. S. Hall will have for her guest on Christmas day the Misses Finley, of North East; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Armstrong, of near McDonough, and Mr. Harry Manlove, of Middletown, Del.

We understand that Mr. Black ex-mayor of Chester, Pa., will build a creamery in our town, providing he can secure the number of patrons. The outlook is very bright and we hope that this one industry will soon be in operation.

CECILTON

John Freeman spent a few days of the past week in Philadelphia.

Allie Pierce and wife spent one day this week with George Pierce.

Miss May Smith spent one day of this week with Miss Anna Alderson.

Mrs. James Smith is spending a few days with her son J. R. Smith in Massey.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Wilson are visiting her parents, J. D. Boulden and wife.

Free show in the Mechanic Hall every night this week. It is reported to be good.

Miss Mamie Pierce is spending a few days of this week with Miss Daisy Hoover.

Mrs. M. C. Clayton and sons Walter and John spent one day last week in Philadelphia.

James A. Pierce, wife and daughter, Miss Mamie, spent one day last week with Allie Pierce and wife.

Harry Budd and wife, Mrs. M. E. Ferguson and Mrs. Thomas Pierce spent one day last week with Mrs. George Beasten.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Charlotte Louise Harris to Robert B. Pusey and Myrtle Moody Templeman to Rev. William G. Harris on Wednesday morning at six o'clock, Union M. E. Church, Wilmington, Del.

PORT PENN

Miss Ollie Conard was a Wilmington visitor on Wednesday.

Mr. William Carpenter is visiting his mother's family this week.

Messrs. John Zacheis and John Diehl spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. H. C. Saxton and Miss Ellis made a trip to Wilmington on Wednesday.

Harry H. Hall, of Philadelphia, spent Monday last with his mother and sister.

Mrs. S. D. Collins and sister, Miss Cora Yearsley, spent Saturday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Russell Eaton and Miss Daisy Yearsley visited Wilmington on Monday.

Mr. George Shelton and son Clarence spent two days of this week in Wilmington.

Mrs. Earl Cross, of Wilmington, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. John Wallen, a few days last week.

Mrs. John Dolbow entertained her daughter, Miss Reba, of Philadelphia, a few days of last week.

Mr. Brainard Yearsley and sister, Mrs. Charles McMunn, were visitors in Wil[illegible] on Friday of last week.

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TOWNSEND

Mrs. George Wiggins is visiting friends in New York.

Mr. Joshua Hudson and family have moved to Wyoming.

Miss Elizabeth Hubbard, of Lewes, is the guest of friends in town.

Mrs. D. B. Maloney visited Philadelphia and Wilmington this week.

Miss Anna Sharpless and Miss Bessie Fisher were in Wilmington recently.

Mrs. D. B. Hutchison and Mrs. Drusilla McCoy spent Wednesday in Philadelphia.

Many Townsend people attended an oyster supper given at Mr. John Norris', near Smyrna.

Mrs. W. B. Weldon and daughter, Miss Margaret Wildon, were in Philadelphia recently.

The Townsend M. E. Sunday School will hold a Christmas entertainment Monday evening.

Clarence Pritchard, of Jefferson College, Philadelphia, is spending the Christmas Holidays at home.

Mrs. Jennie Wilson, of Philadelphia, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Winfield Lattomus, over Sunday.

Miss Ethelwyn Maloney a student of Syracuse University, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Maloney.

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Marvel entertained Mrs. Eliza Staats and her niece, Miss Edna Tally, of Wilmington, over Sunday.

The invitations are out for the wedding of G. Ralph VanDyke, of Townsend, and Miss Lida W. Manlove, of near Middletown.

Dr. Walter Hunter who recently moved to Townsend has returned to Greenwood where he will take charge of the practice of his father-in-law, Dr. Ammerman, who has retired.

FATAL DIPTHERIA CASE

BLACKBIRD, Dec. 10th:—The diphtheria cases which broke out last week show no signs of spreading and the indications are that the epidemic which was feared, has been suppressed. There were only two cases Elsie and Harry Slaughter children of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Slaughter near Blackbird. Elsie was the first to take the dreaded disease and shortly after Harry was taken sick. Elsie seemed to be getting better when her heart failed her and she calmly passed away early Thursday morning. She was about 10 years old, and was a bright little girl. She was always found at Sunday School and she will be missed by her many friends. Reports this morning are that Harry has passed the crisis and is convalescing rapidly.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Resolutions of respect adopted by the members of Damon Lodge, No. 12, Knights of Pythias, of the town of Middletown, Delaware, December 20th, 1905:

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father has in His infinite wisdom removed from us Mr. John W. Jolls, father of Brother Joseph C. Jolls; and

WHEREAS, Brother Jolls feels the loss of one whom he could look forward to for so many pleasures, that usually come from one so near and dear to him;

Resolved, That we, the members of Damon Lodge, No. 12, Knights of Pythias join with him in mourning his great loss;

Resolved, That we extend to him our heartfelt sympathy in this his hour of bereavement, feeling a desire to aid him in this his hour of sorrow and trouble;

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Lodge, a copy printed in the local papers, and a copy forwarded to our bereaved brother.

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WHEREAS, The home of Brother Willits has been disturbed by the great loss of this very important companion and member of his family;

Resolved, That we, the members of Damon Lodge, No. 12, Knights of Pythias join with him in mourning the great loss of such a congenial companion, and the one who helped to fill the dull days with sunshine and gladness;

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CASE OF DESTITUTION

Agent Frank Stout of S. P. C. C. visited Kenton, where he investigated a case of destitution. He received a complaint on Friday morning, and went to Downs' Chapel, three and a half miles from Kenton, where he found Mrs. Sarah Ann Treat and her three children in a state of destitution, with hardly anything to eat in the house, and but very little furniture. The three boys were Herbert Ralph, aged 7½ years; Harvey, 4 years; Eugene, 2½ years. The father of the children has been in the Maryland penitentiary for eighteen months, serving a sentence of two and a half years for the larceny of some harness. Friends of the family agreed to look after the family and they were removed to Kenton.

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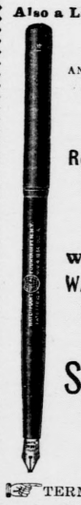

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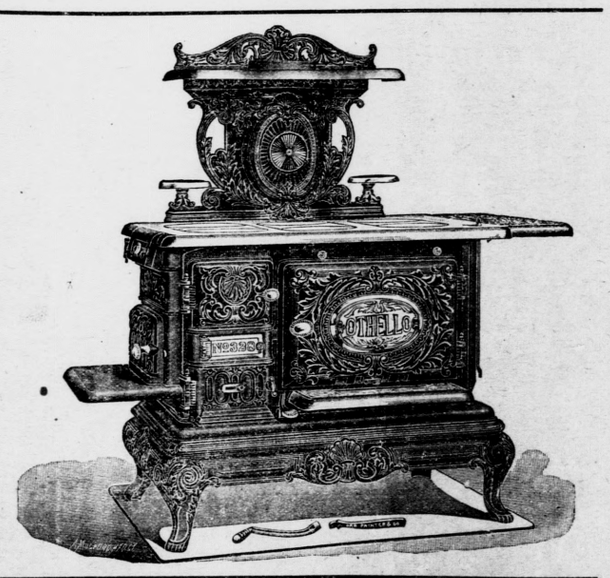

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Going North—7.20 a. m., 10.0 a m., 3.5 p.m., 5.45 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p m
For Odessa.—7.0 a. m., 8.35 a m 11.3 a m., 4.50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earleville 9.20 a. m. and 4.4 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., DEC. 23, 1905.

Local News

Foreign and domestic fruits at WEBER'S.

Don't forget our sale days January 1st to 15th at MRS. G. W. PETERSON'S.

FOR RENT.—Several houses and stables. G. E. HUKILL.

Pyralin toilet sets and Ebony brissel ware at LEE'S PHARMACY.

Lowney's Chocolates at WEBER'S.

You can get the best oranges at W. T. CONNELLEE'S.

Buy your Christmas cigars at LEE'S PHARMACY.

Holly wreaths at Middletown Restaurant & Supply Co.

Nice line of Chocolates at WEBER'S.

All kinds of nuts at W. T. CONNELLEE'S.

Combination Perfumery at LEE'S PHARMACY.

Holly wreaths at Middletown Restaurant & Supply Co.

Nuts of all kinds at WEBER'S.

A chance to buy shoes at half price during the special sail days at MRS. G. W. PETERSON'S.

Choice candies of all kinds at W. T. CONNELLEE'S.

Holly wreaths at Middletown Restaurant & Supply Co.

Large assortment of Christmas Cards at LEE'S PHARMACY.

Fruit cake, pound cake and mixed cakes at WEBER'S

Good fresh raisins, dates and figs at W. T. CONNELLEE'S.

Cameras and photographic supplies at MONRO'S.

Eaton-Hurlbut fancy writing paper at LEE'S PHARMACY.

Good bargains in ladies coat suits, and coats for ladies' and children's marked down at half price at MRS. G. W. PETERSON'S.

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Full line of mixed candies at WEBER'S.

Oysters at Middletown Restaurant & Supply Co.

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Eastman Kodaks and supplies at MONRO'S.

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Dr. John W. Dickerson has just succeeded in curing a valuable driving horse owned by Mr. S. C. Biggs of lock jaw.

The members of the mite society of the Presbyterian Church, held a business meeting on Wednesday afternoon, in the Library room.

At the sales of pies and cakes held last week by the ladies of the Primary Department of the M. E. Sunday School, about $700 were realized.

Just to think good silk velvet—Regular price $1 and $1 25 yd. only 55c. All Millinery at give away prices at MRS. G. W. PETERSON'S.

Your Christmas dinner will not be complete if you do not get a few crowns of our fine celery. W. T. CONNELLEE.

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After Oct. 1st the library hours will be as follows: Tuesdays from 3.30 to 5 P. M.; Saturdays from 3.30 to 5 P. M., and 7 to 8.30 P. M.

DEAR OLD KRISS:—Please bring me a doll with a blue dress, a baby coach and some books. Your friend KATHERINE ALEXANDER.

Big sale of Merchandise Jan. 1st to 15th. Great Bargains in all our large stock—nothing held back for price at MRS G. W. PETERSON'S.

WANTED—Bright, honest young man from Middletown to prepare for paying position in Government Mail Service, Box One, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

E. H. Beck has sold the farm of Lawrence Lofland in Cedar Lane, St. Georges Hundred, containing 60 acres to Henry L. Neff, of Cecil County, Md., for $3,600.

Charles P. Messick has been elected captain of the Delaware College football team for the coming year, and George J. Stevens has been eletced business manager.

Monday being Christmas and a National Holiday, our banks will be closed. Anyone having business with the banks on Monday, should attend to same today.

Strictly high-class dental service at moderate cost. Free examination and estimate. DR. J. ALLEN JOHNSON, Main street, Middletown, formerly of Indianapolis.

DEAR CHRIS:—Please bring me 4 slate pencils, one lead pencil and a horn and a watch, an express to pull, some candy and things for the tree and a gun and little house. GROVER C. KING.

We wish to announce to our patrons that we just received another lot of black taffeta silk waists $7.00 $6.00 and $5.00, waists, all sample, to go this week at $2.00, $2.50 and $3.00. A. FOGEL.

Theives entered the chicken coop of Mr. W. G. Lockwood Wednesday evening, and carried away six of his finest Rhoad Island Red hens. The thief evidently wanted thoroughbreds, as he picked the best fowls of Mr. Lockwood's fine fowls.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending Dec. 14th: Mamie Gould, Mrs. Mary Anna Jones, Mrs. Lizzie Midcap, Mrs. Edith Wilson, Harry Francis, John Henry Gould, Joseph Johnson, David Morris, F. L. Murry, Edgar Laxseli.

The ladies of the Primary Department of Bethesda M. E Sunday School are arranging for a Christmas entertainment and treat to the children, to be given in the Church on Friday evening, December 29th. One of the pleasing features will be the Christmas tree, and Old Santa Claus will positively be present. Come and see the little folks. The public is cordially invited.

WANTED.—By Chicago wholesale and mail order house, assistant manager (man or woman) for this county and adjoining territory. Salary $20 and expenses paid weekly; expense money advanced. Work pleasant; position permanent. No investment or experience required. Write at once for full particulars and enclose self-addressed envelope. COOPER & Co. 132 Lake Street, Chicago, Ill.

The weather observers express the opinion that Christmas day will not be extremely cold. They think moderate temperature will prevail for the next few days at least, but they will not venture a prediction as to whether the day will be cloudy or clear, rainy of snowy, windy or calm. The atmospheric conditions throughout the country at present are such that no great change in temperature is to be expected. Therefore there need be no fear of a blizzard.

Some unknown friend has presented Bethesda M. E. Church with a complete outfit of New Methodist Hymnals Dr. Lightbourne received Thursday by express two boxes containing 132 Hymnals and one very handsome copy for the pulpit. The name of the Church is printed on each book. The book has the music as well as the words, and in addition a fine arrangement of the psalter. With the books came a receipted bill. The new Hymnals have been placed in the pews and will be used to-morrow.

Our first touch of real Winter came Friday, when snow fell to a depth of five inches. The ground had been so dry, however, that there was a very poor foundation for sleighing, and only a few cutters were out. The snow was followed by a rain that froze as it fell, causing a sleet, but which was not heavy enough to do any damage here. In Virginia and several other adjoining states the sleet was so heavy that wires were broken down and much damage done.

The Manor Euchre met last week at the home of Miss Hattie Morgan, Mrs. Harry Kibler won the Ladies' prize and Mr. Harry Kibler won the gentleman's prize. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Julius Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Price, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kibler, Mrs. T. J. Conrey, Mrs. Bennet Steele, Misses Hattie Morgan, Elsie Karsner, Florence Egee, Dora Steele, Katharine Gooding, Mary Boulden, and Evelyn Kibler, and Roger Williams, Hugh Caldwell, Henry Howard, Frank Elliason and D. Delmar Smithers.

The dam at the Brick Mill was washed out during the heavy rain storm on Wednesday night. Mr. Voshell has been very unfortunate during the past few years, his dam being washed out three time. The hand gates were up Wednesday night, and Mr. Voshell was greatly surprised to see the dam out on Thursday morning. He had completed the new dam in October, the base of which was 65 feet with 18 feet of surface, and the work was accepted by the Levy Court Commissioners who visited the mill several weeks ago.

PERSONALITIES

Miss Anna B. Derrickson is quite ill in Norristown, Pa.

Miss Maddie Tatman is home after a stay of several months in Philadelphia.

Mr. W. A. Hukill, of Syracuse, N. Y., is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Mr. John F. Metten, of Philadelphia, will spend Christmas with his parents here.

Mrs. Levi G. Sterner, of Camden, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Parker.

Miss Maggie Brothers, of Clayton, was the guest of Miss Lavicie Wilson one day this week.

Miss Lillian Walker, of Germantown, Pa., will spend the Xmas Holidays at her home here.

Miss Mary Lewis, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending the Xmas Holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Lewis.

Miss Sylvia Moore, of Cheltenham, Pa., will spend the Holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore, on North Broad street.

Mrs. C. N. Dickerson, of Norristown, Pa., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Webb. Mr. Dickerson will spend Christmas day here.

Misses Eugenia Beasten and Mary Maxwell will leave to-day for Atlantic City, where they will spend Christmas with Miss Maxwell's sister.

Mrs. John P. Cochran who was taken to a Philadelphia hospital for treatment some weeks ago, is reported as being somewhat improved at this writing.

Miss Ethel Rowe, of Washington, D. C., and Mr. Edgar Rowe, of New York, are spending the Holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George G. Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brady and children and Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Watkins and daughters will be entertained by Mr. G. F. Brady and family on Christmas day.

Miss A. Louise Reynolds, of Burlington, N. J., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reynolds. She will accompany them to Wilmington on Monday, where they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Barnard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sterling Evans, of Elkton, Md., are expected to-day, to spend Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foard, who will also entertain Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Pool and children on Christmas day.

Mrs. Clara Yothers and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Petherbridge and daughter, Miss Edith, of Philadelphia, and Rev. and Mrs. William Hutchin and daughter, Miss Mary, and Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Lightbourne and son James will dine with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cox Christmas day.

JOHN A. JOLLS IS POSTMASTER

President Roosevelt Wednesday morning nominated John A. Jolls for the postmastership of Middletown. The Senate has confirmed the appointment.

Mr. Jolls succeeds his father, John W. Jolls, who was found dead in bed on November 24th. There was no contest for the office, the citizens of Middletown being unanimous in their choice for a successor to Mr. Jolls.

The new postmaster is about 38 years old, and one of Middletown's best known citizens. He has been associated with the flour and feed business here for many years. He is secretary of the Water and Light Company of this town.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

Pupils of the Middletown High School Render Pleasing Program

The public schools had an elaborate program prepared for their Christmas entertainment yesterday afternoon. The teachers deserve great credit for their work, and we hope the parents fully appreciate their efforts. The schools closed yesterday for the Christmas Holidays. The following is the program:

High School department. Miss Howell, teacher, gave several papers on the history of Christmas.

ROOM NO. 2. MRS. RHODES, TEACHER

Recitations—
"The Birth of our Saviour," Martha Voshell
"Across the Hills," Anna Shallcross
"A Christmas Carol," Lena Weber
"The Star of the East," Estella Beaston
"Three Christmas Chimes" Elsie Boulden

Dialogue—
"A Merry Christmas," Nora Davis, Helen Biggs, Fannie McCrone, Alfred Connellee, Roy Jolls

Recitations—
"The Little Gray Lamb," Nellie Janvier
"Father Christmas," Neilie Pyle
"The Fated Christmas Dinner," Allen Evans
"What He Got," William Kirk
"A Schemer," Irving Roberts
"Santa and his Reindeer," Harold Wilson
"Teddy's Christmas Gifts" George Hukill
"Tommy's Christmas Reflection," Nowland Letherbury
"A Little Girl to her Kitten," Bertha Jones
"Christmas Eve up-to-date," Norman Gill

ROOM NO. 3, MRS. M'CRONE, TEACHER

Song—
"Christmas Belles," Class

Recitations—
"Christmas in Iceland," Leah Berkman
"Christmas in Norway," Ruby Whitlock

Song—
"December," Class

Recitations—
"Christmas in Holland," Ida Jones
"Elsie's Christmas Boots," Maude Taylor

A Christmas play: "Little Gottlieb,"
Burgomaster, Joseph Griffith
Little Gottlieb, John Hoffecker
Hans, (a caroler) Frank Richads
Mother of Gottlieb, Elma Deakyne
Burgomaster's wife Lola Carroll
Burgomaster's children, Comegys Cosden, John Hukill, Helen McDowell, Jennie Gallagher, Elsie Minner, Estella Johnson.
Chorus of Carolers, Lola Ingram, Viola Weber, Dellah Muehlberg, Elsie Byron, Hannah Kirk, Miriam Berkman, Purnell Fortner, Benjamin Denny, Frank Pearce, Julius Kirk.

ROOM NO. 4, MISS ELSIE JONES, TEACHER

Recitation—
"Greeting," Lester Cleaver

Singing—"Greeting," School

Dialogue—"In the Spirit of Christmas,"
"Father Christmas," Kendall McDowell
"Santa Claus," Eugene Ahern
"Steadfast," Theodore Whitlock
"Peace," Tim Hukill
"Good Will" Burton Hall
"Perseverance," Delbert Gallagher
"Patience," Clifton Green
"Mercy," Medford Johnson

Recitations—
"Letter to Santa Claus," May Edwards
"What Mother Goose Girls want for Christmas," Edna Brynes, Hester Baker, Ethel Baker.
"What Mother Goose Boys want for Christmas," Theodore Whitiock, Kennard Edwards, Osborn Banning, Horace Whitlock, Russell Reed, Ray Dickson, James Walker, Isaac Cleaver.

Recitations—
"Kitty to Santa Claus," Elsie Fowler
"How Santa Claus Travels," Harry Spicer

Singing—"Holly Berries," School

Recitations—
"Kitten's Christmas," Elizabeth Gibbs
"If Santa Should Stumble," Alexander Berkman
"Santa Claus on Christmas Eve," Charlotte Peverley

Singing—
"Sleigh Bells," Laura Connellee, Grace Williams, Marian Vinyard, Myrtle Whitlock, Carl Jones, Frank Tyson, Holmes Burke, William Gallagher.

Recitations—
"On Christmas Eve," John Dickinson
"Christmas Cake," Alice Boulden
"The Children's Stockings," Lemont Jones

Singing—"We Bring our Gifts," School

ROOM NO. 5, MISS HALL, TEACHER

Thackeray's Christmas—
"Letter to his Little Daughter," School

Scripture—
"And there were Shepherds Abiding in the Field," Luke 8-16 School

Christmas Carol School

Recitation—
"Merry Christmas," Francis Ridley Havergal, Jessie Shepherd, Sarah Kates, Bessie Denny, Frances Beaston.

Recitation—
"The Christmas Manger Hymn," Delma Dockety, Mildred Freeman.

Recitation—
"Christmas Bells" Marguerite Walker

Recitation—
"In Bethlehem a Little Child Was Born," Edith Eliason, Bruce Whitlock.

Carol—
"O Holy Child of Bethlehem," School

Recitation—
"December," John Kumpel, George Minner.

Song—
"Santa Claus Will Soon be Here," School

Recitation—
"A Song Of Christmas," Elizabeth Alexander, Artie Scott, Beulah Whitlock, Cinderella Whitlock, Helen Hall, Mildred Redgrave.

Song—
"Dear Santa Claus Come Down The Chimney To-night," School

Recitation—
"Santa's Helper, The Brownies" Elmer Kirke, Clifford Pyle, Perth Johnson.

Recitation—
"A Christmas Wish," Albert Jolls, Lincoln Jones, Crawford Davids.

Song—"Merry Christmas" School

Recitation—
"Christmas is Coming" Elmer Vinyard, Charles Brynes, Miller Reed, Harris Berkman.

Recitation—
"An Address to Santa Claus," Martha Pearce, Lelia Pearce, Clara Gallagher, Erline Fortner.

Song—"Christmas Tree," School

Recitation—Marion Daniels, Esther Williams, Bertha Reed, Clarence Williams, Fred Baker, Freal Boulden, Harry Maul.

Song—"Santa Claus is Coming," School

Santa Claus, Charles Ritchie

Reading—
"'Twas the Night Before Christmas."

CHURCH NOTES

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "The Brotherhood of Man." 1 John 2:7 11; 3:12-15. (A Christmas missionary meeting) Leader, Miss Heaton.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "A Christmas Gift to the Christ." Matt. 2:11; 2 Cor. 8:5; 1 Chron. 29:5. Leader, Mr. A. G. Cox.

Christmas services will be held in the Forest Presbyterian Church on to-morrow, (Sunday), morning and evening. The Rev. F. H. Moore will preach appropriate sermons and the choir will render Christmas music. All cordially invited.

NOTICE--REMOVAL

Dr. W. E. Barnard, Surgeon Dentist, has vacated the Anderson property, and removed his offices and residence to the property recently occupied by the late S. M. Reynolds, next door to the post office. Long Distance 'Phone, No. 57.

WITH THE CETURY CLUB

Rev. Joseph Brown Turner Gives Lecture on "The Modern Novel"

The New Century Club received a treat on Tuesday evening, in the form of a lecture by Rev. Joseph Brown Turner, of Dover, his subject being "The Modern Novel." All who have heard Mr. Turner know his ability as a speaker; his style is pleasing, while not flowery, and all he says is the truth, and right to the point.

Mr. Turner was introduced by Rev. F. H. Moore of the Presbyterian Church, who is a personal friend of Mr. Turner's.

During his remarks, Mr. Turner said "Earth has no richer banquet than a table of good books. Books go with us on our journeys, then await our return. They take us from our narrow life to their life of greatness. Solomon would be speechless with amazement, if he could see our books. Librarians report that seventy per cent. of the books called for are novels. A great many novels are born only to die. Clever novels are plentiful, but one can count on one's fingers, the books of this day which will be called for in ten years. Harmful books carry contagion, and are not safe out of the fire. We are but children of a larger growth, in that we are susceptible to a well written story. There are wise novels and silly ones; good novels and bad; and it is folly to refuse angel's food for fear of adulteration.

What is one man's recreation, may be another man's ruin.

Don't let children read everything they wish. Ignorance is not innocence, but ignorance may be innocence in childhood. The novel has supplanted the poem and the biography. Some one once asked a boy of what he was thinking; he replied, "I wasn't thinking, I was reading." Shall we have to say what the boy said?

If it brings God nearer, a novel is a good book for me; if otherwise, it is not a good book for me. Many novels lower the standard of life. Life is what we make it; if we make it good, it is good; if we make it bad, then it is bad."

But we cannot tell half of the good things said by Mr. Turner, but those who missed hearing him, missed a fine treat. After the lecture, instrumental music was given by Mrs. J. Gaylord Bragdon and Miss Lydia Cochran. Later a tea was given and refreshments served by Miss Dora Price, chairman of the refreshment committee, assisted by Misses May Holten and Agnes Cochran.

Among those present at the tea were: Mrs. Fred Brady, Mrs. J. G. Bragdon, Mrs. G. L. Cochran, Mrs. R. R. Cochran, Mrs. Charles Derrickson, Mrs. C. J. Freeman, Mrs. M. L. Griffith, Mrs. C. A Hoffecker, Mrs. George W. Lockwood, Mrs. E. J. Pennington, Mrs. J. C. Stites, Misses Clara Blackiston, Agnes Cochran, Josephine Cochran, Lydia Cochran, Eliza Green, May Holten, Martha Heaton, Elizabeth Hall, Hester Jones, Marie, Blanche and Julia Lockwood, Dora Price, Revs. J. B. Turner, W. H. Hutchin and F. H. Moore, Drs. Edward Vaughan and J. C. Stites, Messrs. Douglas Lockwood, G. L. Cochran and James Lockwood.

OBITUARY

EDWARD M. BEASTON

One of the most shocking accidents in this section for a number of years, occurred on the crossing of the Delaware Railroad at Armstrong's Corner at 12 30 o'clock Wednesday morning when Edward M. Beaston, one of our young and progressive farmers was hit by a northbound express train and fatally injured.

At the time of the accident Mr. Beaston was driving to his home near Armstrong's Corner, and the woods on the West side of the track at that place made it impossible for him to see the approaching train until it was within a few feet of the crossing.

The carriage was wrecked, a portion of it being carried about a quarter of a mile along the track by the locomotive, and the horse was so badly injured that it had to be shot.

The unfortunate man was hurled several yards by the train, and his right leg was so badly crushed and mangled that it had to be amputated at the hospital. He also was maimed about the body. The train was stopped, and later when the southbound passenger train arrived, Beaston was placed on it and taken to Clayton where he was given medical attention, after which he was sent to Wilmington. Every thing possible was done for him at the hospital, but he continued to sink and died Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock.

Deceased was the son of Andrew and Catherine Beaston of Chesapeake City, Md., and was aged 26 years. For several years Mr. Beaston resided with his uncle, Mr. G. B. W. Rhoades, and last spring began farming on Mr. Rhoades' farm. He was a young man with a large circle of friends, and the news of his shocking accident cast a gloom over the entire community.

Mr. Beaston was to have been married to Miss May Roe, of near Massey, Md., on January 4th.

The funeral services will be held at the residence of his uncle, Mr. G. B. W. Rhoades, this afternoon at two o'clock, interment will be made in Bethel Cemetery.

EDWARD E. MASSEY

The death of Edward E. Massey which occurred at the residence of his brother, Mr. S. E. Massey on Friday afternoon at 2 20 o'clock, was one of the saddest of the many sad deaths in our midst recently. Mr Massey had only been ill during the past two weeks, but his relatives and friends had little hopes for his recovery during the past ten days. Typhoid-pneumonia was the cause of his death. Deceased was the son of Mrs. Virginia W. Massey and the late Thomas Massey, and was aged 26 years. The attending physician and trained nurses did all in their power to restore him to health, but their efforts were in vain. He leaves a devoted mother, three brothers and a large circle of friends to mourn his untimely death.

Arrangements for the funeral had not been made at the hour of going to press.

WILLIAM B. FORD

William B. Ford, a prominent farmer living in the lower part of Pencader hundred, died on Sunday night of acute indigestion. He had been sick but one day. Mr. Ford had taken a prominent part in politics of the hundred for many years. He was a Democrat. He had been road commissioner for 25 years. He was about 60 years old and is survived by his wife. The funeral was held Thursday morning.

JOHN M'GARRITY

John McGarrity, aged 58 years, a blacksmith at Summit Bridge, died on Saturday of apoplexy. He had been in bad health for some time. Mr. McGarrity had lived in that vicinity all his life. A wife and three children survive. The funeral took place Wednesday morning.

ODESSA

Mrs. William C. McCoy spent Thursday in Wilmington.

Misses Frances and Mary Aspril spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Presley Spraunce, of Smyrna, is visiting at the home of Mrs. J. C. Corbit.

Miss L. N. Corbit left Tuesday for an extended visit in Newark and Wilmington.

Mrs. H. V. Woods was a Philadelphia visitor Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Miss Martie Cattes, of Wilmington, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Emma B. Eccles.

Mrs. W. C. Cleaver and son Malcolm returned Monday from a week's visit in Wilmington.

Mrs. W. H. Eccles and daughter, Miss Emma, spent Monday and Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mr. Pierson Stevens has returned after spending sometime in Chester, Pa., and Medford, N. J.

Mrs. William Heller and son Robert have returned after spending a week with relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. Fred Kumpel and Preston Stevens, of Medford, N. J., are visiting their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens.

Mrs. Frank Davis and children, of Middletown, are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Vandegrift, for the Holidays.

Mrs. John Stewart and son, Stanley, of Chester, are the guests of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens, for the Holidays.

Mr. George W. Evans who has been spending the past month here with his sister, Mrs. E. S. Stevens, left Thursday for Philadelphia.

Miss Francis Husbands principal of the public schools, left Friday for her home at Brandywine Summit, Pa., where she will spend the Xmas Holidays.

Mr. Edward Rhein, of Philadelphia, who has been ill with typhoid fever has recovered and is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Rhein. His many friends are glad to see him out.

The Sunday School of St. Paul's M. E. Church will have their Xmas entertainment on Wednesday evening, December 27th, to which all are invited. Santa Claus has promised to be there for the little ones. An interesting program will be rendered by the scholars.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY JOHN W. JOLLS.

Wheat—No. 1	80	Corn—	
No. 2	.77	Yellow, shelled	46
Timothy Seed $2.65		" cob	45
Clover Seed lb 10½c		Oats	54

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	28@30
Country Butter, per lb	25@30
Creamery Butter, per lb	33
Lard, per lb	10@12
Live Chickens, per lb	12@15
Potatoes, per basket	30@40

NOTICE!

The Annual Meeting of the

Cantwell Mutual Insurance Company,

Will be held at the hotel of Charles W. Lloyd, in Odessa Delaware,

Monday, JANUARY 1st, 1906,

At which time seven (7) Directors will be elected to serve the ensuing year. The premium on Deposit Notes at the rates of five (5) per cent. will be required to be paid.

The Directors have Declared a Dividend of ten (10) per cent. out of the Surplus Fund. On all balances standing to the credit of members, payable on and after January 1st, 1906.

Election for Directors will take place between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M., and 1 o'clock P. M.

JOHN C. CORBIT, President.
JOSEPH G. BROWN, Secretary.

Odessa, Del., December 13th, 1905.

NOTICE--ELECTION!

NEW CASTLE COUNTY NATIONAL BANK OF ODESSA
December 14th, 1905,

THE STOCKHOLDERS annual meeting for the election of Nine Directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking house on Wednesday January 3d, 1906 between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 1 P. M.

JOSEPH L. GIBSON, Cashier.

NOTICE--ELECTION!

CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK OF MIDDLETOWN
Middletown, Del., Dec. 9th, 1905.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders for the election of Nine Directors to serve this Bank for the ensuing year will be held in the Banking House on Tuesday, January 9th, 1906, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 12 o'clock, noon.

JOHN S. CROUCH, Cashier.

NOTICE--ELECTION!

THE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL BANK OF MIDDLETOWN,
Middletown, Del., Dec. 12th, 1905.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION for Ten Directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on Saturday, January 13th, 1906, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 12 o'clock noon.

G. D. KELLEY, Cashier.

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Bunch Holiday Suggestions!

Ladies' Lace Collars,
Ladies' Embroidered Collars,
Ladies' Waist Patterns,
Fine Shoes for Men,
Fine Kid and Silk Gloves for Ladies,
Fine Handkerchiefs,
Children's Handkerchiefs,
Knit Shawls, Warm Blankets,
Fascinators, Down Quilts,
Umbrellas, Dress Suit Cases,
Ladies' Scarfs, Cushion Tops,
Trunks, Bureau Setts, Mufflers,
Full Line Silks and Velvets,
Men's Neckwear, single boxes,
Men's Suspenders, single boxes,
Men's Gloves, single boxes,
Rogers' Silverware,
Colognes---"Colgate's,"
Soaps---"Colgate's,"
Hand Bags, Pocket Books,
Driving Gloves, Sweaters, Shoes,
Clothing, Lamps, Vases,
Dishes, Rugs, Toys of every kind,
Fine Hand Painted China Clocks.

Store full of everything that's good, and at prices on net Cash basis.

J. B. MESSICK

COCHRAN BLOCK, MIDDLETOWN

DR. WM. H. NORRIS DENTIST

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

Will be in Middletown every Friday over Messick's store, next to Middletown Hotel.

A FULL SET OF TEETH FOR $5.00. The Best Set That Can Be Made for $8.00.

If you have a plate that will not stay up in the mouth bring it here and we will put our PATENT SUCTION on it and make it all over for from $3 to $4. Teeth extracted POSITIVELY PAINLESS for 25 cents. Gold, silver and cement filling from 50 cents up. Remember—Will be here every Friday. Wilmington Office S. W. Cor. 8th and Market Sts

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Farm of 200 to 300 Acres. Will pay ten to fifteen thousand cash. Write particulars to

E. H. BECK, Middletown, Del.

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On First Mortgages at 5 Per Cent. Pay off your old mortgage if you are paying over 5 Per Cent. and get some of this money. A dollar saved is a dollar made.

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FOR SALE!

A desirable dwelling in Middletown, nicely located, lot 100x150. This house has nine good rooms and is in splendid repair. Price only $2400. Too low, but this is no objection to a buyer. Look for yourself and family.

FARMS FOR SALE!

Only one like it, 3 miles from Middletown surrounded by magnificient farms. Contains about 60 acres with good buildings which must have cost nearly the price of the farm. Am offering this to a quick buy for only $3,600. Terms $1,000, balance at 5 per cent. on mortgage. Get a home and quit paying rent.

Still Another Bargain Coming this way—Farm of 156 Acres, 2 miles from Townsend, the price won't hurt you. $2500 will buy it, and terms to suit. 800 Peach Trees, 100 Apple Trees. Fair Buildings. Look this up Quick.

We wish you all---and especially our customers

A Merry Christmas AND Happy New Year

What is the use of us giving you a list of our goods now—we have everything you want to make yourself and friends happy.

The [illegible] is to come in, look at the goods, see and pick out just what you want. You can get here at prices lower than any store just try us once.

Ladies' Suits, Coats, Skirts, Waists in silk and wash goods, few Children's Coats, Quilts and Blankets, Carpets, Mattings, Rugs, Oil Cloth, Couches, Tables, Chairs, Rocking Chairs, Beds, Springs, Mattresses and a full line of Pictures.

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MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

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Christmas is Coming!
Now is the Time to Buy!

We just received a line of Christmas goods such as:—Stoves to sell for 10 and 25 cents; Dolls to sell for 5 cents and upwards, some with kid bodies; Dishes to sell for 10 cents and upwards; Albums to sell for 15 and 45 cents. Bureau sets to sell for $1.45. Vases to sell for 10, 15 and 25 cents a pair.

We have men's working gloves to sell for 25 and upwards.

Men's unlined kid gloves to sell for 50 and 75 cents.
Men's lined kid gloves to sell for $1.00.
Men's cotton gloves to sell for 10 and 12 cents.
Ladies' golf gloves in all colors to sell for 25 and 50 cts.
Children's leggings to sell for 45c.

We have in what is known as the "Black Cat Hosiery" the hose that will wear and do some good.

We just received a line of men's shoes for the holidays from Endicott, Johnson & Co., shoe manufacturer and tanners which the shoe will do right to the retailer.

Also got a full line of young men's and boys overcoats, men's, boys and youth's suits, we sell them 25 per cent. less than anywhere else, come and see them.

S. BURSTAN CORNER BROAD AND MAIN STS.
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

THE POST-OFFICE SCANDAL
AT GILDED GROVE

BY CLINTON DANGERFIELD

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

"Perhaps we would better finish in the morning," he assented, looking at the lowering representative of the postal service.

"I don't keer if we do," she said, sullenly. The stern measure of hard years had armed the widow against the weakness of tears; but she was shaken with a deep, a righteous indignation against these reflections on her care of the Gilded Grove office—so shaken, indeed, that she welcomed a respite.

"Ef you want any supper," she said, bitingly, "I reckon you better git down by the post-orfice an' put all them things in ergin. I kain't clean up an' cook too."

"May I stay?" inquired Conningsby, smiling. "You are very kind, Mrs. Sandusky."

"No Sandusky ever turned a stranger out from supper an' lodgings," retorted his resentful hostess, "an' I ain't gwine to be the one to do it—even ef the stranger is a——"

The remainder of the sentence was lost in an eloquent bang of the door behind her as she went into the kitchen.

Left to themselves, the two glanced at each other with frank amusement.

"Shall I help you rearrange the post-office?" inquired Henrietta, demurely. "Or here's kitty—would she do?"

"Keep kitty away—for Heaven's sake!" observed Conningsby, as he knelt by the soap box. "She has done damage enough already by sleeping on the stamps and warming up the glue. I should prefer your assistance."

Miss Litchfield knelt on the opposite side of the box.

"I positively can't keep her off those stamps," she said, laughing. "Yesterday she came out with a special delivery sticking to her tail."

"If that has occurred often," said Conningsby, "it will account for the shortage of half a dozen of those particular stamps. I presume there's not much call for them here."

"I should say not," returned Miss Litchfield, laying a package of registry envelopes carefully in place. Conningsby noted that her hand was slender and beautifully shaped. He thought she would probably wear a five and a half.

"What in the world are *you* doing here?" he said, abruptly, but very kindly.

She told him. As the rehabilitation of the disordered post-office progressed under their fingers, she told him more, perhaps, than she was aware. For when we are quite alone, so far as the social viewpoint goes, to meet with one's own kind unexpectedly and to hear from them the cordial tones of sympathy, be the words what they will, has a dangerous effect on the most steely gates of reserve.

"Poor little girl!" he said to himself that night, as he lay on a feather bed of smothering depth and yet more smothering mustiness. The cabin was unusually large, and so he had the room to himself, though it was a very small one, and the moonbeams searching the floor, through the curtainless window, found it guiltless of even a rag rug.

He could not sleep. He saw her again and again just as she had first appeared in the doorway—slim, quietly lovely. He saw the gray eyes, the prematurely sorrowful droop in the sweet red mouth.

"And to think I'll never have an excuse for coming out here again," he groaned. "Yesterday I was glad, beyond words, that I'd come into some money of my own and could drop this infernal business. Now—I'm sorry!"

He broke off abruptly. Had the intensity of his inner vision projected itself into a seeming reality? Or did she walk in her sleep?

For in the pool of moonlight, one finger on her lips, stood the lady of his fancies.

But as he raised himself on his elbow, he saw that it was no caprice of imagination; neither did she walk unwaking. The beauty of her young face was set in stern lines, and when she spoke her words were shot with a desperate courage.

"You've not a moment to lose," she half whispered. "Not one! Mrs. Sandusky's brother-in-law—the one you said had no right to borrow even a postage-stamp—came in last night after you went to bed. She told him all—and in such a way! He was gray with rage. He didn't say much, but I knew he meant something, and when he left I slipped from my room and followed him."

"You—in the night!"

"Yes—oh, don't interrupt. You didn't see his face. He's a terrible man—if he is honest. I followed him, and while he was talking to Uncle Billy Saunders I lay under the window and heard it all. Uncle Billy was awfully mad, too; he said it was a reflection on his best mule—that it was as good as saying the mule wasn't worth anything. These two men went to raise a party. They will be here within an hour. Mrs. Sandusky doesn't know, but if she did she wouldn't lift a finger to save you, though you are in her house."

"And if they find me?" said Conningsby, in composed tones. "What then?"

"They will tie you up and beat you—like a dog!" shuddered the girl. "'Beat him till he can't stand'—that was what her brother-in-law said."

"They certainly won't carry out that part of the program," said Conningsby, coolly. "I don't carry a revolver. Generally speaking, it does more harm than good. But I do wear a hunting-knife."

"Oh, what difference would even a revolver make?" returned the girl, impatiently. "They would break your wright at the first shot and then do what they pleased with you afterward. There's only one chance for you. Dress as fast as you can—except your shoes. Carry those in your hand, and follow me."

She turned away to the window as she spoke, and waited, looking out into the night. Even the lines of her shapely shoulders expressed the anxiety she felt.

Conningsby dressed as rapidly as he could. He knew the mountaineers too well to doubt his imminent peril. He knew that this was Gilded Grove's first inspection since the office had been established, and he understood these people enough to realize fully the way in which his visit was regarded.

When he stood beside the girl, she slipped agilely through the window; Conningsby's room was on the ground floor.

The man inside hesitated, and set his teeth.

"To bolt like this!" he said, vehemently. "I can't stand it!"

"Are you quite mad?" demanded the girl. "What is one against twenty? Or perhaps you don't believe me?" she added, in a voice of wounded pride. "Perhaps you don't trust me?"

"With my life!" said Conningsby, springing out beside her. "And now, where?"

"To the stable. My pony is there. I bought a little scrub for myself last month. You shall ride his mate, a small red beast which Mrs. Sandusky took on trial. Come!"

The two ragged ponies galloped valiantly down the narrow road, barely wide enough to permit them to go abreast.

Miss Litchfield's saddle was a crude leather-and-plush affair, such as the typical country store affords. There was no saddle for Conningsby, but he was too good a rider to care about that.

He did not recognize the road, but a mile along the mountain, Miss Litchfield said, two down its serpentine length on the side, another in the valley, and the road would bring them to Ramdomville on the A. G. S. Railroad.

"Glorious moonlight!" observed Conningsby, in apparent appreciation. In reality, he was destressed beyond measure over his companion's position.

"Too glorious," said the girl, anxiously, "if we should meet them by chance!"

"But we won't. See, we are going down the gap now. Don't ride so fast—that plug will break your neck."

"You must hurry!" she said, desperately. "And the ponies are sure-fotted."

Conningsby took the liberty of hoping they were. At this mad pace down the mountain-side, a stumble would do for either rider; perhaps for both if their mounts careened into each other. The road was worked according to mountain ideas, and as they passed the half-way mark the slippery blue limestone began to dominate and to make the way doubly treacherous. Yet the ponies did not falter. Sure-footed, they kept steadily on.

It was two when they reached the foot, and half past when the creek, just a hundred yards this side of Randomville, gleamed into sight like a broad silver necklace on the brown earth's ample bosom.

Conningsby drew rein there.

"Miss Litchfield—Henrietta," he said, brokenly, "I can't let you go back to those people. My God, it makes me sick to think how they might insult you for saving me!"

A CHRISTMAS DISCOVERY

GEORGE CLAY LLOYD

'Twas the night before Christmas and Santa Claus sat
In his palace of ice and snow,
As he rubbed his hands before the bright brands
His cheeks had a ruddier glow.

His hair was as white as his palace of snow,
The beard on his chin was the same,
His eyes sparkled bright as a diamond that night
As he smiled on his white-haired dame.

"'Tis the eve before Christmas," he said to his wife,
"To-night I must hasten away,
The sweetmeats and toys for my girls and my boys
Are snugly packed now in my sleigh.

"My boys and my girls have been good all the year,
I am pleased so well have they done,
Though some chimneys be small, I'll visit them all,
And [illegible] give each one."

Then he harnessed his little reindeer and away
He sped with the wings of the wind,
His heart was aglow as he passed o'er the snow,
And left the cold north-land behind.

Then onward he sped over valley and hill
Till he traveled the wide world through,
That hearts may be light as his own was that night,
When morning should break on the view.

Then I heard ting-a-ling ting-a-ling at the door,
And quickly I leaped from my bed,
I knew very well it was Santa Claus' bell,
And wanted a peep at his sled.

I peeped through the door that was standing ajar,
Expecting the saint I should see,
But there stood papa with presents, ha, ha,
And was filling my stocking for me.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16th, 1905.

THE Beet Sugar Interests had a hearing before the ways and means committee of the House this week on the subject of the lowering of the Philippine tariff. Whatever one may think of the revision of the tariff schedule in general, it is impossible to deny that so far as the beet sugar interests are concerned, the removal of the duty on Philippine sugar would mean their extinction. The spokesman before the committee was W. S. Humphreys and he made out a good case for the interests of the northwest though whether his argument as applied to the country at large is correct is of course a matter of individual opinion. He told the committee that the sugar production of the Philippines was 6,000,000 tons in excess of the consumption in this country and he said that if the tariff on Philippine sugar was removed this crop would without question be dumped on the United States. He was asked by Mr. Payne why the Philippine sugar crop could not go as it had always gone to China and Japan. Mr. Humphreys replied that the bulk of the Philippine sugar refined for China was refined in English fastories on English ground and that in accordance with the Brussels sugar convention it would be barred out on the grounds of bounty paying if the United States remitted the tariff. This in all probability would be true, as the English interests would be glad of any reasonable excuse to hurt the trade of the United States in any quarter of the globe. So as the case stands, the admission of Philippine sugar free to the United States looks like the extinction of the beet sugar industry. The only question that remains is what the Ways and Means Committee intends to do with it.

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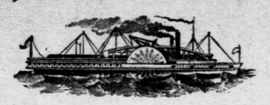

The New Iron Steamer **Clio**

Captain HOWARD V. WOODALL,
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Odessa & Augustine Pier for Phila
AND RETURN FROM
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PHILADELPHIA,
AS FOLLOWS:

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REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Nov. 2d, 1905

Upon the application of Edward Hart, Administrator of Cæsar Brinkley late of Appoquinimink Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of (SEAL) office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the Twenty-ninth day of Nov. A. D. 1905, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the said Administrator on or before the Twenty-ninth day of Nov. 1906, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

EDWARD HART,
Administrator.
Address, Townsend, Delaware

REGISTER'S ORDER.

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF WILLS,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Nov. 29 1905

Upon the application of Joseph C. Jolls and John A. Jolls, Administrators of John W. Jolls late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administrators aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such letters in six of the most public place of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript a newspaper published in Middletown, Delaware, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of (Seal) office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the Twenty-ninth day of November A. D. 1905, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested, to the said Administrators, on or before the Twenty-ninth day of November, 1906, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

JOSEPH C. JOLLS,
JOHN A. JOLLS,
Administrators.
Address, Middletown, Delaware.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

OFFICE OF REGISTER OF WILLS
New Castle County, Del., Dec. 4th, 1905

Until the application of Howard A Pool, Administrator of Clarence Cochran, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in The Middletown Transcript a newspaper published in Middletown, Delaware, and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of (Seal) the Register of Wills aforesaid at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the Fourth day of December A. D. 1905, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Administrator, on or before the Fourth day of December 1906, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

HOWARD A. POOL,
Administrator.
Address, Martin B. Burris, Esq., Attorney at law, Middletown, Delaware.

STATE OF DELAWARE,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE
CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

To All to Whom These Presents May Come, Greeting:—

WHEREAS, it appears to my satisfaction by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof, by the consent of two-thirds in interest of all the stockholders deposited in my office, the Binghamton Oil & Gas Company, a corporation of this State whose principal office is situated at 1019 Market St. in the city of Wilmington, County of New Castle, State of Delaware, Delaware Incorporators' Trust Company being agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served, has complied with the requirements of "An Act providing a General Corporation Law," amended and approved March 7th, A. D. 1901, and amended and approved March 17, A. D. 1903, preliminary to the issuing of this

CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION.

Now therefore I, Joseph L Cahall, Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, do hereby certify that the said corportation did on the sixth day of December, A. D. 1905, file in the office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation executed by two thirds in interest of all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the records of the proceedings aforesaid, are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Dover this sixth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and five.

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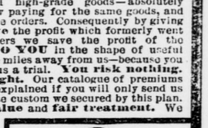

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